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SUBJ: KENYAN SEARCH FOR ALTERNATE TRADE ROUTE TO ZAMBIA

1. DURING COMMON FUND DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN ECONOFF AND DR KAGUNDA, TRADE EXPERT IN GOK MINISTRY FOR FINANCE AND PLANNING, RECENT MEETING IN LUSAKA TO DISCUSS THE FORMATION OF AN AFRICAN PREFERENTIAL TRADING AREA AMONG 16 COUNTRIES WAS ALSO DISCUSSED. KAGUNDA, WHO ATTENDED THE MEETING, SAID THAT IN ADDITION TO DISCUSSION ON INTENT TO ESTABLISH A PREFERENTIAL TRADE AREA, GOK DELEGATION HELD EXTENSIVE DISCUSSIONS WITH REPRESENTATIVES FROM ZAMBIA AND MOZAMBIQUE. PURPOSE WAS TO EXPLORE POSSIBILITY FOR RESUMPTION OF KENYA - ZAMBIA TRADE UTILIZING SEA-BORNE ROUTE THROUGH PORT OF MAPUTO. THUS, PROBLEM OF CLOSED TANZANIAN BORDER WOULD BE OVERCOME. KAGUNDA SAID ZAMBIANS WERE QUITE KEEN ON THE PROSPECTS OF ALTERNATE ROUTE FOR RENEWED TRADE AND MOZAMBIQUE REPS EXPRESSED WILLINGNESS TO FACILITATE SUCH TRADE THROUGH MAPUTO.

2. KAGUNDA SAID 16 MEMBER GROUP AGREED TO MEET AGAIN IN
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ADDIS ABABA IN LATE MAY. GOK DELEGATION TO THAT MEETING WILL PURSUE DISCUSSIONS WITH ZAMBIA AND MOZAMBIQUE ON THIS ISSUE.
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